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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Koichi OTSUKI  
PRINTING BY SWITCHING SUB-SCAN FEEDING BETWEEN  
MONOCHROMATIC AND COLOR AREAS  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q76095

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/147,916 (Confirmation No. 9751) filed May 20, 2002 of Koichi OTSUKI entitled PRINTING BY SWITCHING SUB-SCAN FEEDING BETWEEN MONOCHROMATIC AND COLOR AREAS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, sixteen (16) sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2853.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/147,916 filed May 20, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-154235	May 23, 2001

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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